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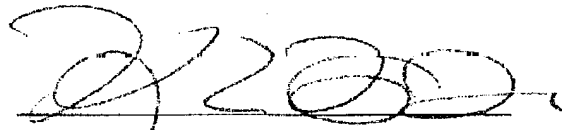
REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the form of the abstract under MPEP § 608.01(b). Applicant respectfully submits a replacement abstract herewith to overcome the Examiner's objection.

Furthermore, the Examiner rejected claim 15 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Dask, et al. In the interest of effectuating issuance of the remaining claims in the application, Applicant respectfully withdraws claim 15 from consideration without addressing the merits of Examiner's contention. Therefore, Applicant respectfully reserves the right to re-assert withdrawn claim 15 in the future in this, or another co-pendant application claiming the benefit thereof.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this communication, he is invited to contact the undersigned directly to expedite the resolution of this application. Further examination of the application and reconsideration of the claims and specification as amended and the allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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